

Appl. No. 09/228,710
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 2, 4-7, 9-11, 15, 17-20, 22, 23, 25, 27 and 28 were pending, and new claim 29 was added. Claims 1, 2, 4-7, 9-11, 15, 17-20, 22, 23, 25 and 27-29 are thus pending.

Claims 1, 5, 6, 9, 17-19, 22, 25 and 27 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) in view of Giacopelli, Burgess, and Feiner.

Claims 2, 4, 7, 10, 11, 15, 20, 23 and 28 were indicated as allowable if written in appropriate independent format.

As can be seen above, limitations of claim 7 were substantially incorporated into independent claim 1, according claim 1 is believed to be patentable over the cited art. Claims 2, 4-7 dependent upon claim 1 are also believed to be allowable for substantially the same reasons, and more specifically for the specific limitations they recite.

As can be seen above, limitations of claim 15 were incorporated into independent claim 9, according claim 9 is believed to be patentable over the cited art. Claims 10, 11, 15, 17 and 29 dependent upon claim 9 are also believed to be allowable for substantially the same reasons, and more specifically for the specific limitations they recite.

As also can be seen above, limitations of claim 20 were incorporated into independent claim 18, according claim 18 is believed to be patentable over the cited art. Claims 19, 20, 22, 23, 25, 27 and 28 dependent upon claim 18 are also believed to be allowable for substantially the same reasons, and more specifically for the specific limitations they recite.

CONCLUSION

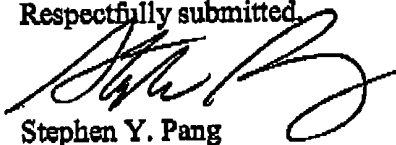
In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

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If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

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